



JANUARY 2015

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NEXT MEETING:  
Sat., Jan. 17 10:00 AM  
Allentown Public Library  
Community Room

## **Martin Luther King Day Lunch**

The 6th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Program and Luncheon will be held **Monday January 19th** at St. James United Church of Christ at 15th and Walnut Streets.

The free program will be held at 1:00 pm in the church and includes Evelyn Stewart, whose beautiful voice filled the church last year. This year's speakers are Allentown Police Chief Joel Fitzgerald and CeCe Gerlach of the Allentown School Board.

The luncheon is also free to the public with seatings at 11:00 am and 2:00 pm. To obtain free tickets to the luncheon or to volunteer, contact Suzanne Kratzer at 610-434-3176 or skra1961@aol.com.

Volunteers are welcome and will meet Sunday, January 18 at 1:00 pm to help prepare the meal, as well as on Monday.

## **LANA's 2014**

LANA had a busy 2014. On Saturday December 13, 2014, 31 LANA members and friends shared a delicious buffet luncheon at the Villa Rosa, at 19th and Hamilton Sts. Familiar faces and newcomers enjoyed getting to know each other, talking about what we are thankful for our neighborhood, the library, life partners, the friendship and support of neighbors. All these things make a difference in our lives.

In January many residents took part in the 5th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Program and Luncheon at St. James UCC. In April with the help of friends and the City Parks Department we planted 23 trees along the 1200 block of Hamilton. One week later we turned out again for our traditional neighborhood cleanup.

Our speakers included Allentown Police Chief Joel Fitzgerald, Captain Gail Struss, Magistrates Ron Manescu and Rashid Santiago, Mayor Ed Pawlowski, and Renee Haines, Executive Director of the Allentown Public Library. Our own Frank Whelan spoke to us in July from the Trexler Home about General Harry Trexler and the 1906 Lehigh Valley Transit strike.

We were also privileged to have State Senator Pat Browne and State Rep. Michael Schlossburg at our meetings.

Give us your ideas for speakers and activities for 2015!

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Police/Fire/Ambulance	911
Police: Non-Emergency	610-437-7751
Loud Music/Noise/Working on Cars	610-437-7751
Police Chief	610-437-7777
Police: Vice Unit	610-437-7726
Gang Tip Line	610-439-5934
Crime Tip Line	610-439-5911
Mayor Ed Pawlowski	610-437-7546
Zoning Office	610-437-7630
Code Enforcement/Problem Properties	610-437-7695
Housing/Rentals	610-437-7697
-(Infestations, no heat/water)	
Street light out	610-437-7735
Recycling, trash & garbage	610-437-8729
-Special Operator (after 7 p.m.)	610-437-7571
Graffiti (to request removal)	610-437-8729
Tall Grass & Weeds	610-437-8729
Shopping cart pick up	610-437-8729
Streets	610-437-7638
Animal Control	610-437-7535
Animal abuse/neglect	610-797-1205
Overgrown shrubs	610-437-7589
Uncleared sidewalks	610-437-7589
Allentown Parking Authority	610-437-3366

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**Help Allentown's Homeless Children**

You can help our city's homeless children and clean out your closet by donating your hotel mini bath product bottles.

Rooster Valentini, the Homeless Student Advocate /Liaison for the Allentown School District since 1995, is collecting bath products. And this year the need is great. He has already had to work with the families of 400 homeless ASD students, more than he would normally expect in a full school year.

Send Rooster all the motel miniatures in your closet - the shampoos, conditioners, soaps, lotions and he will get them out to the families who have been devastated by the economy, a fire or other disasters.

Consider adding a roll of quarters which will wash several loads at the laundromat.

Bring contributions to the Allentown School District on Penn Street by the US Post Office. Rooster's office is in the basement. **Or bring them to our next meeting on January 17 and I will forward.** For more information, Rooster's phone number is 484-765-4037.

I've made my gift today, but Rooster's families need more.  
- Nick Butterfield

**Proposed LANA Meeting Dates**

Saturday February 21, 10 am  
Monday March 16, 6:30 pm  
Saturday April 18, 10 am (clean-up?)  
Monday May 18, 6:30 pm  
Saturday June 27, 10 am (fix your house tour?)  
Monday July 20, 6:30 pm  
August - walk with the mayor??  
Monday September 21, 6:30 pm  
Saturday October 17, 10 am  
Monday November 16, 6:30 pm  
Saturday December 12 (Holiday Luncheon?)